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infected. Crew and steerage passengers bathed, and their effects and baggage disinfected. Cargo and baggage inspected and either disinfected or passed. All persons on board inspected at the Mariveles quarantine station prior to sailing. November 19, the British steamship *Kaifong*, with 65 in crew and 44 passengers, en route from Hong-kong to Cebu and Iloilo, was granted a supplemental bill of health. November 19, the British steamship *Cranley*, with 34 in crew, en route from Norfolk, Va., to Cebu, was granted a supplemental bill of health. November 26, the American steamship *Korea*, with 277 in crew and 536 passengers, was granted a bill of health for San Francisco via Hongkong, Japan ports, and Honolulu. Cargo inspected prior to loading. Passengers embarked at this port were inspected prior to sailing.

#### RUSSIA.

##### ST. PETERSBURG—Status of Cholera.

The following information, dated December 7, was received from Chargé d'Affaires Schuyler, through the Department of State, December 28:

A communication from the minister of foreign affairs states that during the period from November 21 to 27, there were 81 cases of cholera, with 35 deaths, in Russia, occurring as follows:

| Cities and governments. | Cases. | Deaths. |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|
| St. Petersburg .....    | 14     | 6       |
| Baku .....              | 10     | 7       |
| Governments:            |        |         |
| St. Petersburg .....    | 9      | 6       |
| Vitebsk .....           | 2      | —       |
| Kovno .....             | 8      | 3       |
| Jaroslav .....          | —      | 1       |
| Kostroma .....          | 3      | 4       |
| Baku .....              | 4      | 3       |
| Pskov .....             | 10     | —       |
| Kursk .....             | 3      | —       |
| Ekatherinoslav .....    | 4      | 1       |
| Taurida .....           | 14     | 4       |
|                         | 81     | 35      |

##### LIBAU—Examination of Emigrants—Plague.

Acting Assistant Surgeon De Forest reports, December 12:

Week ended December 9. For the steamship *Russia*, sailing December 14, 52 emigrants have been examined and 130 pieces of baggage disinfected.

One fatal case of plague has occurred in Libau.

#### TURKEY.

##### SMYRNA—Smallpox Mortality.

The following was received from Consul-General Harris, under date of December 4:

The number of deaths from smallpox now being reported has decreased from a maximum of 20 a day, 2 months ago, to 5 or 7 a week.